

Mayor Mary Cooper called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Also present were Councilmembers Kay Carlquist, Robert Jurca, Guy Pfalzgraff and Bill Seuell, along with City Manager Lanny Sloan and City Attorney Mike Schottelkotte. A meeting notice was posted in the south window at City Hall at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Mayor led everyone present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Changes to the Agenda

There were none.

Minutes

Councilmember Pfalzgraff stated his name was misspelled on page two.

Councilmember Carlquist stated that her name needed removed on page one, she did not attend the meeting.

These minutes will be presented at the next regular City Council meeting for approval. There was no stated motion to approve the minutes as amended.

Citizen Comments

Renee McRay presented the Business Enhancement and answered questions from Council.

Presentation of Check from Local High School Student

Parks Director Paul Suppes introduced Kenny Taylor a sophomore from the Delta High School, who learned of the criminal mischief that occurred at the cemetery and came up with an idea to raise some money to help in the repairs of items damaged in October of last year.

Kenny Taylor stated that he learned that his friend's family member's grave site was one of the sites that were damaged in October. He explained that he asked his world history teacher if there was something they could do to help this family. They decided to hold a dance to benefit the family. The family stated that they would be honored and would like the money to go to everyone's grave that was vandalized. The dance was held on January 10th, 2009 and they raised \$1479.00. He stated that this was also to show the community that there are also good kids.

World History Teacher Janine Suppes stated that even though this was not an advertised dance other area schools showed up to help.

Presentations of New Sergeants of the Delta Police Department

Chief of Police Robert Thomas stated that he has a group of individuals that are committed, loyal and dedicated to the Police Department. He emphasized the mission of the Delta Police Department.

Chief Thomas presented the following individuals:

- Investigator Jesse Cox, who will assume duties of Commander in June of 2009
- Evidence Custodian Jamie Head
- Records Administrator Sindy Bruton
- Victim Advocate Coordinator Becky Haven
- Sergeant Joe Chavira
- Sergeant Jesse Stanford
- Sergeant Brian Lyninger

Chief Thomas stated that the Delta Police Department is moving forward and moving up. He explained that there have been various changes that are good healthy changes to help with the mission that he presented earlier.

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Presentations of New Sergeants of the Delta Police Department (cont.)

Sergeant Jesse Stanford thanked Chief Thomas for the introduction of the staff at the Delta Police Department. He presented Council with a speech on behalf of Sgt. Chavira, Sgt. Lyninger and himself.

Partner's Presentation

Gail Davidson explained the program that Partner's offers troubled children in our area. She stated that the City of Delta has supported this program for over 20 years. This is the first year that the City has denied any funding. She stated that the City can support this program without affecting the budget in four different ways.

1. Allow junior partners to use the recreation center at no charge when they are with their senior partner.
2. Give free access to meeting and activity rooms at the recreation center.
3. Exempt Partner's from paying the utility bill at 423 Palmer Street.
4. Give free office space.

Ms. Davidson explained that these are some suggestions that the Partner's staff came up with that the City could do to show support. She stated that the City's support is critical in matching funds with the grantors. The grantors want to see local support. She encouraged Council to review her proposal and take action on it.

Habitat for Humanity Request to Donate Building and Tap Fees

City Manager Lanny Sloan stated that at the last meeting Habitat for Humanity requested a donation of approximately \$11,000 for their current housing project. At that time Council instructed him to investigate the possibility of donating these funds and report his recommendation to the Council. He explained that during the budget process the Council made the decision, because of budget concerns, to exclude any funds for donations to outside and charitable agencies. In the past, the Council had donated approximately \$20,000 each year. Because Council donations were not included in the 2009 budget, we have already denied funding request for about 15 agencies. The Habitat for Humanity is certainly a worthwhile project and does assist a member of the community. However, it only assists one family, whereas the agencies which we have denied funding requests serve many throughout the community. Mr. Sloan stated that because it wasn't budgeted and with what they have done in the past it is his recommendation that the request be denied. He explained that if Council does approve the request there will be a need for a supplemental appropriation.

Tom Harding restated that Habitat for Humanity is a hand-up not a hand-out.

Councilmember Carlquist stated that this is a good program; however, Council cut all the other donations out of the budget. She explained that it would be hard to recommend this request.

It was moved by Councilmember Carlquist seconded by Councilmember Seuell to deny the request for Habitat for Humanity to donate \$11,000 for their current housing project. Voting aye: Councilmembers Carlquist and Seuell. Voting nay: Councilmember Pfalzgraff. Abstain: Councilmember Jurca. Motion passed.

Council Bill #1, 2009; First Reading **Golf Course Turf Equipment Lease**

City Manager Lanny Sloan explained that this is the lease for the golf course equipment that will be replacing the existing equipment. The current lease expires and the equipment goes back to John Deere. The new lease will be for 60 months and at the end of the lease the City will own the equipment. He also stated that the lease would begin April 1, 2009. The cost of the lease is \$2,321.60 for 60 months paid monthly.

City Attorney Michael Schottelkotte stated that there is a state statute that requires an ordinance to pass and be published 30 days before the lease can be in place. He explained that because he is called upon to certify that all legal requirements are met in connection with this process to the lender; that is the need for extending the commencement period of the lease. The lease is a yearly lease with an automatic renewal subject to appropriations.

Councilmember Jurca asked what type of condition the equipment will be in five years.

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Council Bill #1, 2009 (cont.)

Director of Golf Rob Sanders stated that the equipment should last between 8 to 10 years.

Council Bill #1, 2009

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DELTA, COLORADO, AUTHORIZING A LONG-TERM LEASE OF EQUIPMENT REQUIRED FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE CITY'S PUBLIC GOLF COURSE, WITH THE MONTHLY PAYMENTS DUE IN EACH YEAR UNDER SUCH LEASE TO BE SUBJECT TO ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS HEREAFTER AUTHORIZED BY THE DELTA CITY COUNCIL.

was read by the Clerk.

It was moved by Councilmember Jurca and seconded by Councilmember Carlquist to adopt Council Bill #1, 2009 on first reading. Roll call vote: Carlquist aye, Jurca aye, Pfalzgraff aye, Seuell aye and Cooper aye. Motion carried.

City Attorney Comments

City Attorney Michael Schottelkotte stated that is always a pleasure to work with the members of the Police Department.

City Manager Comments

City Manager Lanny Sloan stated that the Police Department is doing a great job.

Mr. Sloan also stated the he realizes that the requests from Partner's and Habitat for Humanity have been difficult decisions for Council. He asked that Council allow him to look at what they can do to help these agencies and others without actually giving cash.

Mr. Sloan explained that there will be a dinner meeting scheduled with the Planning Commission at the golf course on March 12, 2009.

Councilmember Comments

Councilmember Carlquist stated that she attended the municipal quarterly meeting and Lee Bartlett made a presentation on the senior services. There has been a task force developed to look at options for the services.

Councilmember Pfalzgraff congratulated all of the new sergeants and staff of the Delta Police Department. He stated that he appreciates Mr. Sloan looking into what they can do when presented with requests for donation. Mr. Pfalzgraff also stated that he would like to start looking at next year's budget to see if they can provide material assistance as they have in the past.

Mayor Cooper stated that it was brought up at one of the meetings she attends that there are several children going to school without jackets or appropriate shoes for the weather. Anyone that has any coats or shoes for children can drop them off at NAPA and they will be donated to children that are in need of them.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Jolene E. Nelson, City Clerk